



**MINUTES OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY CITIZENS
REDISTRICTING COMMISSION**

Monday, December 14, 2020

10:00 AM

AUDIO FILE FOR ENTIRE MEETING. (20-6833)

Attachments: [VIDEO](#)

1. Call to Order. (20-6745)

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

Twila Kerr, staff for Commission Services, gave a brief introduction of Executive Director, Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough and Commission Counsel Holly Whatley.

Present: Commissioner Jean A. Franklin, Commissioner David Holtzman, Commissioner Daniel Mayeda, Commissioner Nelson Obregon, Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura, Commissioner Hailes Soto and Commissioner Brian Stecher PhD

Absent: Commissioner John Vento

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

2. Introduction of members. (20-6746)

Commissioners introduced themselves and received welcoming comments from the following members of the public:

- **Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, Ward Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) in Los Angeles**
- **Alejandra Ramirez-Zarate, Advancement Project California's Political Voice democracy team**
- **Kiyana Asemanfar, Common Cause**
- **Julian Gomez, Staff Attorney, ACLU of Southern California**
- **Fatima Malik, President, League of Women Voters of Los Angeles County**
- **Karen Diaz, Coalition for Humane. Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA)**
- **Leonard Gonzoles, League of Latin-American Citizens (LULAC)**
- **Daniel Jeon, Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Los Angeles**
- **Giovany Hernandez, NALEO Educational Fund**

3. Overview and Discussion of the Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC) including LA County demographics, applicants and application review options, and timeline to select the remaining six members. (20-6747)

Executive Director, Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough provided Commissioners with an overview of the actions they needed to take in December to select the remaining six CRC (Citizens Redistricting Commission) Commissioners. As part of the presentation, they were given an overview of the 52 individuals remaining in the CRC applicant pool, along with an overview of the Los Angeles demographics.

Commissioner Holtzman shared a table he had prepared regarding Political Party Preference demographics.

Commissioners considered several options for evaluating the 52 individuals and agreed on:

- The goal is to have each CRC application reviewed by at least 2 Commissioners, resulting in an average of 12-13 CRC applications per person to be randomly assigned to them.**
- Commissioners are welcome to evaluate more than the 12-13 CRC applicants assigned if they would like to.**
- Commissioners adopted a holistic approach that integrates four criteria: analytical skills relevant to redistricting/voting rights, State and Federal legal requirements, impartiality, and appreciation of LA County's diverse demographics and geography.**
- Commissioners will rate applicants on a 10-point scale, based on this holistic criterion, via an online survey tool. A section of the online tool provides space for Commissioners to add comments regarding the candidates they evaluated.**
- The Commissioners agreed to complete the initial evaluations by Saturday, December 19, 5:00 p.m., for summarization in time for the next CRC meeting on Monday, December 21, 2020.**

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)
[ELECTIONS CODE](#)
[PARTY APPORTIONMENT FROM COMMISSIONER HOLTZMAN](#)

II. MISCELLANEOUS**Matters Not Posted**

4. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, for matters that required immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Commission subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (20-6750)

Commissioner Holtzman requested that the Commissioners receive information about the technology that Los Angeles County will be using for redistricting. That information should be available once the full Commission is placed.

The Commission agreed to hold the next CRC meeting on Monday, December 21, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioners will be surveyed to determine their availability for a potential third CRC meeting between December 26 and December 30, 2020.

Public Comment

5. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission. (20-6751)

Receipt of one Letter Regarding “Selection of Remaining Commissioners,” December 15, 2020, available at:

<http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/151312.pdf> The letter was provided by Julia A. Gomez, ACLU of Southern California, including representation from League of Women Voters of Los Angeles County, Asian Americans Advancing Justice/Los Angeles, Black Census and Redistricting Hub, California Common Cause, Valley Industry & Commerce Association, Community Coalition, and Advancement Project California

Public comments were also made by:

- **Kiyana Asemanfar, Common Cause California**
- **Alejandra Ramirez-Zarate, Advancement Project California’s Political Voice democracy team**
- **Fatima Malik, President, League of Women Voters of Los Angeles County**
- **Karen Diaz, Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA)**

Attachments: [PUBLIC COMMENT / CORRESPONDENCE](#)

Adjournment

6. Adjournment of the Special meeting of Monday, December 14, 2020. (20-6752)
The meeting adjourned at 12:33 p.m.